

DIVERSIFIED CROPS SUCCESS IN SOUTH

Railway Report Shows How People Have Met Situation Due to the War.

Much has been written concerning the effect upon commercial and industrial conditions in the South resultant from the depressed state of the cotton market that ensued with the outbreak of the European war. The Southern Railway, in its annual report just made public, shows how quickly the Southern States resorted to crop diversification, and the marked success achieved.

On September 1, 1914, the estimated yields, as gathered from statistics compiled by the Department of Agriculture, showed increases in sundry crops other than cotton in the Southern States east of the Mississippi over the 1914 production, which in instances were as high as 75 per cent.

The increase in the corn crop is estimated at 100,311,000 bushels, or 39.06 per cent; wheat, 6,162,000 bushels, or 13.8 per cent; oats, 1,400,000 bushels, or 20.06 per cent; Irish potatoes, 13,346,000 bushels, or 35.29 per cent, and hay, 1,227,000 tons, or 32.76 per cent.

519 New Industrial Plants.

Despite the depression that prevailed throughout its territory, 519 new industrial plants were established along the lines of the Southern. The capital invested was \$1,492,833. Additional manufacturing plants were made at a cost of \$8,162,047, and on June 30, 1915, there were reported as in course of construction fifty-seven plants, with a capital of \$15,465,250. New buildings of all kinds (except those used in manufacturing) and other general improvements represented an expenditure of \$66,122,856.

Fertilizer Tonnage Falls.

Conditions which obtained during the period covered by the report resulted in a reduction of 3,754,044 tons of commercial fertilizer in the company's traffic. In this case, there was a loss of 600,000 tons of fertilizer, a reduction directly attributable to the war.

The public has attributed the decrease in traffic on Southern roads principally to the dull movement of cotton, but the transportation of fertilizer and lime, which were very approximately 6,000,000 tons less in 1914, and says that this shortage was more than compensated for by an increase in tonnage of cotton seed and its products.

The company has adopted a stringent policy of retrenchment, its officers assert that the physical condition of the roadway and structures is better than ever before and that the motive power and passenger equipment are in good condition and fully up to normal.

Only One Fatality.

In substantiation of this claim, the report calls attention to the fact that the company's road during the year more than 16,500 passengers, or a number equal to the population of the territory served, with only one fatality to a passenger. This accident was attributed to the fact that the passenger was riding upon a car platform in contemplation of the accident.

The gross operating revenues were \$40,458,876, a decrease of \$5,561,487, or 12.69 per cent. To offset in measure decrease, operating expenses were cut \$5,063,938, or 10.79 per cent. The net revenue from operations was \$36,394,539, a decrease of \$2,485,548, or 13.62 per cent.

CAMPAIGN TO AID BOY SCOUTS BEGUN

Commissioner Tells Business High School Freshmen of Organization's Aims.

Freshmen at Business High School today heard an address in which the aims and objects of the Boy Scout movement were outlined by W. B. J. Houseman, national field scout commissioner of the organization. This was the first general gathering of the freshmen since the school season began, and they enjoyed the meeting and Mrs. Houseman's address, which was full of snap and information.

The speaker was introduced by Principal Davis, who said the Business High School had a deep interest in the Boy Scout movement because James E. West, chief scout executive of America, was a graduate of that school. This afternoon's greatest feature was a hearty handclapping. Mr. Davis gave the Boy Scout movement his hearty approval, and, from their demonstration, the students joined with him.

The speaker outlined the first of a series to be delivered at the high schools for the purpose of arousing interest in the Boy Scout movement and the forthcoming campaign for \$30,000 with which to finance the local scout program for the next three years, and for 5,000 members.

Civil Service Commission Gets Exposition Awards

The superior jury of awards of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition has awarded a medal of honor to the Civil Service Commission for promotion of governmental efficiency, and honorable mention for scientific investigations, in connection with the commission's exhibit.

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